VISITED BY AN EARTHQUAKE HALF A DOZEN STATES SHAKEN UP.

STARTLING SCENES AND OCCURRENCES IN THIS

CITY AND VICINITY. An earthquake shock was felt yesterday afternoon in nearly all the cities and towns of the Atlantic seaboard and the States as far west as Ohio. The reports from the various parts of the troubled district are extremely conflicting; but in general they agree that there was a trembling of the earth for a space of half a minute, sufficient in some instances to dislodge light articles, and set chandehers to swinging. This motion was accompanied by a rumbling sound as of a heavy truck rapidly drawn over rough pavement. There were scenes of consternation in this city but no damage is re-

FEATURES OF THE SHOCK.

NO DAMAGE DONE BUT QUEER SENSATIONS EX-PERIENCED-COURSE AND DURATION. The shock of the earthquake was so severe as to be feit by almost everybody on the island, and yet it did no damage. It occurred at 2:07 p. m. By persons who were on the ground floors of buildings at the time. To them the sensation was like the passing of a wave of motion under their feet. The wave had its characteristics like a wave of sea. It was heralded by a sort of shaking, then the wave came growing in intensity of action until it reached a cheav, when decreasing in force and then passing away, here was an interval of a few seconds and then a second wave came, repeating all the characteristics of the first, but less violent. To people who were in the upper rooms of lofty houses the vibration of the calls was so intense as to mosh the wave tremer rather foot. The shaking of the walls of high tructures was terrible, because so sustained. It was accompanied by a loud runbling noise like the asing of a heavily loaded wagon drawn by many ores over the pavement. This was so marked a feature that many persons ran to the windows hinking there was a rim-away and that some ice ragon was being dragged along at head-long speed by a maddened team. Those who lived along the fact was going by at an unusual and of speed, but when they loaked there was going by at an unusual alse of speed, but when they loaked there was going by at an unusual also of speed, but when they loaked there was going by at an unusual also of speed, but when they loaked there was going by at an unusual also of speed, but when they loaked there was sufficiently and they were included the proposed to the constant vibration as sharp motion was distinctly fell beneath the feet was slight aison among the operators. Some of them sprang to their feet and there was a general looking around by those who were manipulating the keyboards. It was not long before the most inquisitive operators in our strhunke until they were told by the men who elieved them. Few people who were in the open of two propositions about the experience and there was a general looking around by those who were manipulating the keyboards. It was not long before the most inquisitive operators in our of two propositive operators in our of two propositive operators in our other two propositive operators in our of two propositive operators in our other two propositive operators in our of two propositive operators in our of two propositive operators in our other two propositive operators in our other two propositive operators in our other under the foot. The sinking of the walls of high the structures was terrible, because so sustained. It was accompanied by a loud rumbling noise like the train was going by at an unusual rate of speed, but when they looked there

and looked at one another in amazement. The first creased into a heavy rumble and tremor pedestrians rushed from the sidewalks into the middle of the street and gazed with expressions of fear

First is very much like an earthquake," he street and gazed with expressions of fear and wonder at the tail buildings. The real nature of the shock did not at first appear to be realized, but as it came with after thought some of the more cautions ones hurried hate the City Hall Park, until a considerable crowd gathered there discussing the cause of the phenomenon. Jamiors and families occupying the cities buildings presently made their appearance at the windows and, laarmed by the shock and the beaks of the crowd, rushed into the streets. The penetral impression prevailed at first that there had been an explosion in the neighborhood, and it was attributed to some of the builds in the large principle of the some of the buildings in the properties of the gasting eagestly for every detail of information. Other crowds gathering in the intersections of cross streets, every one with a story of his ownersperience and wonder. From the upper stories of the read of the first structure of the first structure of the first structure of the modes of every direction gathering in the middle of the street until m many places the things became so large ten minutes after the shock as to block the thoroughfaires for the time. The jamious cased by in the first place of the victoria first thought years of the same and the crowd in Printing House Carlo and the c Equate that there had been an explosion at one of the large gas works on the West Side, and that over a hundred lives were lost. Another report was started that the shock had been caused by a preparature explosion of dynamite at Hell Gate. One man drew a crowd about him by telling what he knew of earthquakes, and by predicting emphat-ically that there would be a second shock at mid-night. Diving the afternoon, beauty graphs ically that there would be a second shock at midnight. During the afternoon people gathered around the newspaper offices from all parts of the acty to make inquiries of the extent of the shock or to tell their own experiences of ft. The man who preaches on sunday afternoons from the City. Hall steps had a much larger andience than usual and he was inspired by the occasion to draw from this incident a vivid description of the danger that hight at any moment fall upon the city. People on the Brooklyn Bridge seemed less affected than those elsewhere. The shock there did not seem to be perceptible. Though the Bridge was crowded with foot passengers at the time no unusual comment could be detected among them.

ALONG THE WATER FRONT.

The Ship News office on the Battery was besieged all yesterday afternoon by those anxious to learn particulars about the earthquake. Mr. Burtis, who was on duty there, said that those who were in the office at the time felt a slight trembling and rocking of the earth under the building-a

In the Barge Office the occupants said that a per-

In the Barge Office the occupants said that a perceptible vibration was felt. The impression conveyed at first was that a railway car had failen from the elevated railway, and in that belief many rushed to the doors and windows looking towardthe tracks to see the havoc.

At Castle Garden some of the immates imagined that they heard a clap of distant thunder. The immigrants took the matter calmiy, not knowing that anything unusual was occurring about them, and probably feeling safe in the conviction that if it was not right the Commissioners would soon it was not right the Commissioners would som make it so. The building shook for several sec-sords. But if the new arrivals did not appreciate the affair the natives did.

the shock at all. A policeman, slowly sauntering along, was encountered by the hurrying reporter, and expressed surprise on learning that so big a disturber of the public peace as an earthquake had passed his beat.

Along the North River front the experience of the inhabitants was somewhat different. On the lines of Greenwich and Washington six the shock was severely felt. People sitting at dinner in upper stories were radely disturbed, and the contents of soup-bowls or coffee-cups were spilled over the table. On the made ground nearer the waterfront, along West-st., the disturbance was either felt slightly or not at all. Superintendent, Wiley at the buildings of the New-York Steam Heating Company, at Greenwich and Cortlandt six, said that he felt no disturbance in the building, but that people came rushing to the place, thinking that there had been an explosion of the company's pipes, or that some heavy building had fallen.

In the Broadway Bank building, at Broadway and Park-place, the shock was felt so strongly that the building was about to fall. The engineer, who had steppped out upon the sidewalk, was similarly impressed, and both men started to hurry their families out to a place of safety. On the waters of the rivers and bay the shock was not felt. Passengers and crews of the ferryboats and excursion steamers recorted that no unusual disturbance marred their trip.

At the Iron Steamboat Company's pier, which juts out some distance into the water, the watchmen and clerks stated that they felt a decided shock and heard the rumblings. No boats were in at the time. At the pier of the Sea Beach route, a wooden structure, some of those who were on the pier at the time felt the shock slightly, but the tolegraph eperator knew nothing of it until the officers at Coney Island and Bay Ridge telegraphed inquiries about it. They reported that the shock was felt at both places.

At THE WESTERN UNION RUHDING.

AT THE WESTERN UNION BUILDING. At the main office of the Western Union Telegraph Company, at Dev-st. and Broadway, the talk of the afternoon and night over the telegraph wires was about the earthquake. Inquiries poured

the north, or north by east.

ost localities when the shock was felt people felt by the guests as might have been expected.

The description of the shock from twelve to fifteen named undisturbed, but the waters of the Hadson accords, was great enough to describe the said to have been ruffled. This would lead to her make that the general direction of the wave her make the general direction of the wave persons with the character of the visitation. These who were the ground-floor in most cases went into the street, the movements of most cases went into the street, the movements of the street of the visitation. some being considerably accelerated. One of the In Frinting House Square around The Thinune Building the shock was pronounced. Persona who have had similar experiences remarked that they had never known so distinct a vibration. On 'Sun-day afternoons Park Row is always crowded with people passing to and fro over the Bridge and by Street cars from all parts of the city. Man and people passing to and fro over the Bridge and by general overturn that there they would be safe from street cars from all parts of the city. Men and falling buildings. Many of the hotel guests came women stopped suddency at the strange sensation | down and discussed the details of the shock. A resident of California, a quest at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, was talking with Clerk Carr when the first

"That is very much like an earthquake," he

The clerk on duty in the Gilsey House, said:

When I first felt the shock I thought that the elevator find bruken look and was coming a way. I steeped over to the elevator and found that it was all right, and cames make to the deak just in time to see the enangletis oscillating, the class were nearly sinken off, several or in guests came down-tairs to know what was too matter. The vile atom was strong on unit to see know as a ginterman asse plot the first floor. Those on the upper floors event that the vibrations were marked, and that there was no measuring the oscillations.

Secretary Vrooman, of the Republican State Committee, was during in the restaurant of the Gilsey House. He said that the vibrations were so violent as to rattle a pile of dishes near from. The ginss globes on the chandeliers were also considerably agritated.

On the West Side of the city in the viemity of Eighth-ave, and Twenty-third-st, the shock was

On the West Side of the city in the vicinity of Eighth-ave, and Twenty-third-st, the shock was strongly felt. There was first a rumbling sound, and then a metion as if heavy objects were being moved on the floors above. All the residents were soon on their front steps or in the street anxiously inquiring of their neighbors what the unusual experience meant.

At the Windsor Hotel there were the same experiences the same sensations and thoughts as to the

At the Windsor Hotel there were the same experiences, the same sensations and thoughts as to the cause of the tremor and rumbling sound. The number of transient guests was small, there being only about 100 registered, and the inquiries as to the cause of the unusual noise were few. The building itself was not injured apparently, but those who were on the upper floors said that it swayed

A CHAPTER OF EXPERIENCES.

-SOME OF THE HUMORS OF THE SHOCK. House, next to the wall, numerous colored could feel it sway while the shocks lasted. The glasses are placed upon the bottom of other Central Police Office was besieged with inquirers shaken from their position, and were throwndown and broken, and others were prevented from tailing only by being caught by other articles which surrounded the improvised stand on the side-board. The swinging barber sign that hangs above the stairway leading from the rotanda up to the hotel desk was awang to a nd fre for several seconds. The sign faces pearly due porth.

as to the cause of the shocks felt in all the precincts, but no damage to persons or buildings was reported.

EATERS AND DHINKERS INTERRUPTED.

The guests at the Pierrepont House in Mentaguest, were busy with their dinner when the dishest rattled and their chairs shook. The most of them glasses. All of these were more or less ads. But if the new arrivals did not appreciate affair the natives did.

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After the shock was over search was immediately made to see if a boiler in the kitchen had exploded, pale and excited. Some of the women nearly

their shirt-sleeves, and women in Sunday wrap-

were so inexpected and of such brief duration that
before most persons had realized that five had expersoneed the shock of an earth-make all was over.
It was agreed by those who had the presence of
mind to observe the time that in Harlem the shock
was first experienced at 2 hours, 4 minutes, 30
seconds, p. m., and that it hasted until 2 hours, 5
minutes, 10 seconds, p. m. But accounts differed
considerably.

A fat old negress predicted that something awfu would follow such a manifestation. She was sure that this was a portent to warn the sinful city of

INCIDENTS IN BROOKLYN.

REHAVIOR OF FRIGHTENED PEOPLE-HASTY THIEVES-HULEVING TO THE OIL TAXES. perceptible, and frightened many persons. Mos Many thousands of persons in all parts of the city

and the lond rumbling accompanying it.
It was noticed that those who were in their houses feit the shock most perceptiby, while those out-ofdoors noticed it very little. At the time of the session and no panies were reported.

There were few persons in the Brooklyn public

buildings, but those there felt the shock in a marked manner. The police and health officials in the Municipal Department Building were badly frightened. They all recalled the fact that the structure was badly shaken a few years ago by an vault used for the storage of L . As and records in the Tax Office on the first floor, and it was thought at first that a similar accident had occurred, or that a boiler had burst in the basement. The men at work on the upper floors rushed down the broad stairways to learn the cause of the noise and shaking. The vibration was plainly perceptible HAT PERSONS SAW AND FELT IN VARIOUS POINTS throughout the building. W. H. Moore, the colored watchman, who was leaning against one of On a sideboard back of the bar, in the Astor | the marble pillars in front of the building, said he as to the cause of the shocks felt in all the pre-

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There must have been not less than 3,000 people on the Brooklyn Bridge at the time and so far as could be learned, the most of the star for the many and the first star former in the star former in the

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INVIKIOUS TO THE TRIBETE.

KINGSTON AUG. 10.—A heavy shock of carthquake was distinctly not the read 2:10 this after, not. The burses recked to and fro for about there is a case of the read of the shock is seen it is such a violent manner that the chaldrants were filled with about manner that the chaldrants were filled with about manner that the chaldrants were filled with about the card tops who were the closes, and every man about the card tops who were to me down unposed they were familiar these contained to probability. These was no impound nor any sound whitever a commanying the she k; merely a rocking, swaying motion of the earth, beginning with three or four distinct ownly the she k; merely a rocking, swaying motion of the earth, beginning with three or four a full, and cooled may with four or five income are full, and cooled may with four or five income are full, and cooled may with four or five income and really a distribution of the careful cooled in the proper too shock, so far as heard from.

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PEOPLE RAN OUT OF THEIR HOUSES.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE THEORY).)
HUDSON, Aug. 10.—A shock like that of an entinguake wis plainty for to this dry at 2.15 p.m. lo-lar. The carth swayed west and cast, and a rumbing count was heard like that of distant throder. The shock sound was heard like that of distant thunder. The shock was recreived about five seconds, and to that time the windows rattled, doors swam on their bines, buildings creaked door sets man, bucks held from channers, and people in some parts of the city ran frightened from their properties and presidents of the city ran frightened from their properties.

SIMILAR TO THE SEOCK OF 1876.

SIMILAR TO THE SHOCK OF 1876.

SCHENICTADY, Aug. 10.- A slight earthquake visited this city a few minutes before 2 this afternoon. The shock was fest most distinctly in the lower part of this city. It had eatherent force to rathe winners and set hauging lamps to vibrating. A similar shock was caperanced here on November 5, 1876.

A SERIES OF UNDULATIONS.

ALBANY, Aug. 10,-Considerable excitement was caused here this afternoon by a per eptible earth-quake. The shock came between two and ten minutes direction than in other houses. From all that can be it was felt throughout Albany. It consisted of five or six distinct unduratory movements, Pictures hanging on the walls, indirects and chandellers were staken and its one i assance the heavy pendulum of an old-fashioned clock not in motion was put into vibration which lasted several minutes. In many fustances steeping persons were awakened. The shock was accompanied by a faint and distinctly and this unmile, likened to the noise of a neavy dray on a weeden parem in. In the first of a house on the Moison-ave, full to the southwestern portion of the city, the first and distinctly observed to be followed by two others much more volent, the wall moving considerably. Then came two undulators less violent. No harm to any building has been done so far as is ascertained. The city was visited by a shock of somewhat greater intensity in 1870, and again in 1878.

PORT JERVIS, Aug. 10.—Two distinct earth-

THE SHOCK SLIGHT IN TROY.

TROY, Aug. 10 .- A slight shock of earthquake

WOMEN ARE MADE SEA SICK.

POUGHKERPSIE, Aug. 10.-A dispatch from

PREESKILL, Aug. 10,-Peekskill experienced

an earthquake here this afternoon about 2:15. It lasted from six to ten seconds. It seems! to come from the north and go south. It shows the houses.

AT OTHER POINTS IN THE STATE. SHELTER ISLAND, Aug. 10 .- A shock of earthquake was distinctly felt throughout this island at ten minutes past 2 this afternoon. No damage was done.

IN DELAWARE.

BUILDINGS SHAKEN NOTICEABLY. WILMINGTON, Del., Aug. 10.-An earthquake shock was felt here at 1:57 p. m. which shook buildings sensibly all over the city. The direction of the movement was about 10° north of east.

THE BREAKWATER IN MOTION. DELAWARE BREAKWATER, Aug. 10,-The staion building to-day at 2:10 p. m. was soddenly shaken or about five seconds. The wind often shakes the building, but the wind to-day not being strong enough at the

WHERE NO SHOCK WAS FELT. CLEVELAND, Aug. 10.-There was no shock

CHICAGO, Aug. 10 .- No carthquake was felt here to-day. HOCHESTER, Aug. 10 -No earthquake shock was felt here or in this vicinity.

IN WASHINGTON.

COMMANDER SAMPSON'S OBSERVATIONS. Washington, Aug. 10,-Commander Sampson, as istant superintendent of the Naval Observatory, reports that he observed slight vibrations of the earth about 2 to clock this aftermoon, lasting about sixteen seconds. He was in the second story of his house, adpointing the Observatory. The windows of the room rattice and the articles on a marble-topped table moved. No prenomena were observed on the lower floors of the house. A few persons have reported this evening that they observed some unusual motion of the earth about

THE REPUBLICAN CAMPAIGN

LOUISIANA NOW A DOUBTFUL STATE.

DEMOCRATIC RANKS SHATTERED BY THE TARIFF ISSUE-MR. KELLOGG'S OPINIONS. IBY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

Washington, Aug. 10.—Representative Kellogg, who has recently returned from Louisiana, says the Republican prospects in that state are brighter than they have been before for several years. In mingling with the people of the Stave during his visit, Mr. Kellogg found among a large portion of the Democrata a strong determination to cut loose from their party, mainly because of its vagaries on the tariff question. Mr. Kellogg is a man cartious in his expressions that toral vote of Louisiana for Blaine and Loran. He also thinks there is a chance for a gain of two Republican

THE WORK IN MAINE. PREPARING FOR THE MARANACOOK MEETING-NOTABLE ACCESSIONS.

DEMOCRATIC GOODS UNSALABLE.

MEETINGS IN MADISON COUNTY.

THE THEORYPH TO THE THIBUS ight. A Blains and Log n banner was bung across

AN ITALIAN BLAINE AND LOGAN CLUB. LARGE GATHERING UNANIMOUS FOR THE REPUB-LICAN TICKET-WHY THEY SHALL SUPPORT IT. A large and enthusiastic meeting of the

If the Italians were properly organized as he hoped to

WHAT CORRESPONDENTS SAY. CHEERING NEWS FROM ALL QUARTERS-LETTERS

FROM BUFFALO AND ELSEWHERE. A. L. Kellogg, president of the Young Men's Republican Club at Oneouta writes: "The tide that is setting in for Blaine and Legan is simply astounding. have just returned from a sojourn to Delaware County, have just returned from a sojourn in Delaware Cousty, and have been among the people and conversed with them. The whole country seems perfectly alive with enthusiasm. Cleveland is as dead as can be. Otsogs gave Hancock twenty-eight majority. There are a great many oid time Democrats who refuse to vote for Cleveland. It as are largely for Blaine. Braine will carry the county. In Oneonta the young men have a Blaine and Locan Coub numeering 135. No counter movement has been organized nor do I believe it possible that it can be done."

been organized not done.

A correspondent writes from Buffalo: "A "straw" was taken on the Buffalo, New York and Philadelphia train that arrives in this city at 8:45 this morning. The passengers consisted largely of residents af this city so fourning at idlewood, Angola and other points on the lake shore. It stood as follows:

A vote was taken at the rooms of the Winslow Social